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) Title: METHOD FOR
) DIFFERENTIATING IRRITABLE
) BOWEL SYNDROME FROM
) INFLAMMATORY BOWEL DISEASE
) (IBD) AND FOR MONITORING
) PERSONS WITH IBD USING TOTAL
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 18, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows: